

Staff Selection Board.

(2) **MR. R. KESAVA PILLAI** (*Kottarakara cum Kunnattur*) : This Council recommends to the Government that a Staff Selection Board be constituted so that recruitments to public service may be made through this body.

RESOLUTION *re*: COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENDITURE.

PRESIDENT : The next resolution stands in the name of Mr. R. Raman Pillai.

Resolution re Committee on Administrative Expenditure.

MR. R. RAMAN PILLAI (*Kottayam*) : ഞാൻ എന്റെ പ്രമേയത്തെ അവതരിപ്പിക്കുന്നു.

"This Council recommends to the Government that a committee, with an elected non-official majority, be appointed at an early date to enquire into and report on the means of curtailing the administrative expenses".

PRESIDENT : I am afraid the member does not know English according to his own declaration. Please note that permission given to the member to speak in Malayalam and to reply in Malayalam is withdrawn.

MR. R. RAMAN PILLAI (*Kottayam*) : The resolution before me is in English, and therefore I read it.

PRESIDENT : The concession allowed to him to speak in Malayalam is withdrawn.

MR. A. THANU PILLAI (*Trivandrum*) : I rise to a point of order. Is it not the duty of the Legislative Department to see that in the case of members who are allowed to speak in Malayalam, the resolution is placed before them in that language?

PRESIDENT : No, the language of the Council is English.

MR. G. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Karunagapalli*) : I rise to a point of order. A member might know to read English but he may not be able to express himself so well in English.

PRESIDENT : I know the member is quite capable of expressing himself in English.

MR. R. RAMAN PILLAI (*Kottayam*) : Sir, I move this resolution for the consideration and acceptance of this House. I am not a very fluent speaker in English and I may make several mistakes. My friends and visitors may laugh at me; but I do not care anything about that. The Government have placed before me the resolution in English, so I read it in English and it is considered to be irregular by the President and I cannot question it.

In my opinion, the administrative expenses of the Government have become very great. I do not use the words which I had originally used in the resolution, certain words being expunged by the order of the President. How the administrative expenses have become very great, is a very difficult proposition for a man of poor ability to bring to the heart of the Council. Several departments have employees more than necessary.